

**IN THE DRAWINGS**

Figure 3 has been amended to correctly identify fluoromarker, as identified in the specification at page 6 line 27. Applicant respectfully asserts no new matter has been added and respectfully requests consideration and approval by the Examiner. Applicant submits formal drawings herewith.

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Conclusion

The Applicant respectfully requests that the preliminary amendment described herein be entered into the record before the examination and consideration of the above-identified application. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney at (612) 359-3276 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully Submitted,

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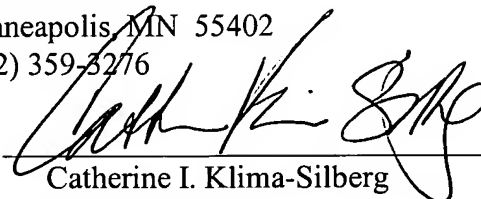
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